

**UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
DISTRICT OF MASSACHUSETTS**

JOSE RAMIREZ,
Petitioner,

v.

STEVEN J. O'BRIEN,
Respondent.

CIVIL ACTION NO. 03-40281-FDS

PETITIONER'S MOTION FOR A STAY

Pursuant to this Court's order of March 24, 2005, the Petitioner hereby moves for a stay of these proceedings on the ground that he has this day filed for habeas review of Ground One — that the admission of hearsay violated the Petitioner's confrontation rights under the United States Constitution — in the state court. Per the same order, counsel will promptly inform this Court of any relevant rulings by any state courts and shall further file a report on or before July, 1, 2005, setting forth the status of Mr. Ramirez's state petition.

Respectfully submitted,
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Rule 7.1 Certification

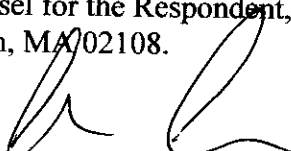
I hereby certify that I conferred with the Respondent's counsel, Eva M. Badway, by telephone on April 14, 2005. The parties were unable to resolve or narrow the issues presented in this motion for a stay.



Alan D. Campbell

Certificate of Service

I hereby certify that on April 14, 2005, I caused a copy of the above document to be served by first-class mail, postage prepaid, upon counsel for the Respondent, Eva M. Badway, AAG, Criminal Bureau, One Ashburton Place, Boston, MA 02108.



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